



*October 7, 2011*

Congratulations to our United Way **Kickball Champions**, the **WATERHOGS!** The Waterhogs put on an awesome display of kickball skill. We had a total of eight City teams participate in this year's tournament. It was a really good time for a really good cause! Thank you to all the teams who participated and all the volunteers who put this event together. We are planning a 5k race at Harlinsdale in November that will be open to the public (and their dogs too!). We'll have more details on that soon.



**Engineering Director Eric Gardner has accepted a position with a private company, ADS Pipe, as a Regional Engineer and will be responsible for projects in Tennessee and Kentucky.** His last day with the City will be October 28. Eric has been with the City of Franklin since 2005 and was named the Director of the department in 2007. Eric has been a key contributor to some very important projects that will have a lasting impact on the City of Franklin. Thank you for your service to the community. While Eric will be leaving the City of Franklin as an employee, he will continue to live in Franklin with his family. Join me in wishing Eric all the best in his new endeavor!

**State Fire Prevention Week kicked off this week. The Franklin Fire Department made a visit to Capitol Hill today.** The safety house also started their 1<sup>st</sup> grade visits last week with Franklin's newest school Clovercroft and this week went to Franklin Elementary and Poplar Grove. Chief Rocky Garzarek has a column in the Williamson Herald at <http://www.williamsonherald.com/home?id=77328>



**The Franklin Police Department's Coffee with the clergy was deemed a success.** Approximately 40 representatives from Franklin's faith-based community came together

Monday morning at the Franklin Police Department at the invitation of Chief David Rahinsky and me. We had an excellent conversation and look forward to continuing to work together in the future. Read more about the event at <http://www.williamsonherald.com/home?id=77329>

**Attention COF Moms and those who want to get rid of GENTLY USED clothing of any size, children and adults.** (Shoes and accessories too) A committee has met about the COF Clothing swap and has decided to do the event **November 4th in the City Hall Training Room from 11-1pm.** Please bring your GENTLY USED clothes and toys and place them on the tables according to size that morning before 11am. If you bring 10 items, you will be allowed to take 10 items and so on with a maximum of 20. We'll then have a free-for-all at 2pm for whatever is left over and whoever wants to come. If anything is left after that, we will take it to a local charity. Remember this is a clothing swap, there are no guarantees if you bring 10 items you will find 10 items to your liking. Please email [Milissa.reierson@franklintn.gov](mailto:Milissa.reierson@franklintn.gov) with the sizes you are bringing and we will let employees know what will be available before November 4. Please do not bring stained clothing.

The Employee **Halloween Party** is on **Monday, October 31st** from **2 p.m. to 4 p.m.** in the **City Hall Board Room.** Please bring your kids so they can trick or treat through each department! Employees are welcome to participate in a Halloween costume contest. Prizes will be awarded for best individual costume and best group costume. Please go to Inside the City for details and guidelines.

**The next Employee flu shot clinic** will return **Thursday, November 10<sup>th</sup> from 4:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. in the City Hall Training Room.** Flu shots will be available to full-time employees and their spouses, and part-time employees. This year's flu vaccine protects against 3 strains of the virus including H1N1. The CDC has a great resource for flu information at [http://www.cdc.gov/flu/?s\\_cid=seasonalFlu2010\\_007](http://www.cdc.gov/flu/?s_cid=seasonalFlu2010_007).

**CIP/Admin's Sarah Sappington and Finance's Dawn Wildrick are the winners of the Mayor's parking spot** next week and the following week! **TOC's Kevin Comstock** nominated both ladies. Kevin said, *"I was working on a last minute assignment from the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and needed assistance from both Finance and Administration. Sarah and Dawn stepped up to the plate and really helped out not only during our initial interview, but each worked with the Auditor to show "how" the processes were accomplished. Both Dawn and Sarah displayed a willingness to "do whatever was need" with exceptionally short notice and with a proactive and professional attitude. I am so proud of them and their work."* **Dawn will begin parking in the Mayor's spot on Monday, October 10-14 and Sarah can park her bright and shiny new jeep in the spot October 17-21.** If you see someone doing a good job, nominate them at [agoodjob@franklintn.gov](mailto:agoodjob@franklintn.gov).



Thanks to our **Special Events team** for making the premiere of the **Footloose** movie a success. Our City has garnered lots of national media attention in the last two weeks and it's because of our great staff that helps make Franklin a "go-to" destination. Have a great weekend and thanks for all you do!

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